

providing a retention tube that is capable of removably receiving said winch, attaching said retention tube to said boat landing ~~apparatus~~ apparatus, inserting an end of said retention tube into the ground.

Claims 14 (canceled)

15. (original) The method of combining a removable winch with a boat landing apparatus of claim 13, further comprising the step of:

forming at least one attachment flange on a top of said retention tube.

16. (amended) A method of combining a removable winch with a boat landing apparatus, comprising the steps of:

providing a boat landing apparatus capable of landing a water craft;

providing a winch that is capable of reeling in a water craft; and

providing a retention tube that is capable of removably receiving said ~~winch~~ winch, inserting said retention tube into the ground adjacent said boat landing apparatus.

Claims 17 - 19 (canceled)

Please add claim 20.

20. (new) A method of combining a removable winch with a boat landing apparatus, comprising the steps of:

providing a boat landing apparatus capable of landing a water craft;

providing a winch that is capable of reeling in a water craft; and

providing a retention tube that is capable of removably receiving said winch, forming at least one attachment flange on a top of said retention tube, attaching said at least one attachment flange to said boat landing apparatus, inserting an end of said retention tube into the ground.

R E M A R K S

Applicant has carefully considered the above identified Office Action, and in response thereto is addressing each issue raised by the examiner in the remarks hereinbelow. In this regard, applicant is canceling without prejudice claims 1 - 12, 14 and 17 - 19; amending claims 13 and 16; and adding claim 20.

Claim Rejections 35 USC 101

Applicant has canceled claims 1 - 12, therefore examiner's rejection concerning these claims is moot.